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SUBJECT: SUAREZ COMES OUT IN FAVOR OF NEW CONSTITUTION

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1. WHILE PRESS REPORTS FROM MEXICO ARE BECOMING EVER
MORE ASSURED REGARDING SUAREZ' CANDIDACY, ONE REPORT ALSO
QUOTES HIM AS DECLARING THAT THE DEFINITIVE CONSOLIDATION
OF DEMOCRACY IN SPAIN WILL REQUIRE A CONSTITUTION ACCEPTED
BY ALL, FISCAL REFORM, AND AN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PACT.

2. THE IDEA THAT THE NEXT CORTES SHOULD HAVE A CONSTITUENT
CHARACTER HAS LONG ENJOYED WIDESPREAD AND EVEN GENERAL SUPPORT,
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AND UNTIL RECENTLY EVEN PROMINENT FIGURES IN THE CONSERVATIVE
ALIANZA POPULAR WERE ON RECORD AS AGREEING THAT THE NEW
CORTES WOULD INEVITABLY BE DE FACTO CONSTITUENT. A
NEWSPAPER ARTICLE BY AP LEADER MANUEL FRAGA, POINTING
TO THE DISASTROUS HISTORY OF SUCH BODIES IN SPAIN AND ASSERTING
THAT CAREFUL MODIFICATION OF EXISTING LAWS WAS THE PRE-
FERABLE COURSE, APPEARED TO SET THE POLICY FOR AP, AND

SINCE ITS PUBLICATION FRAGA HAS RETURNED IN VARIOUS PUBLIC APPEARANCES TO THE THEME THAT ONLY LIGHT TOUCH-UPS OF THE FRANCO-ERA LAWS ARE REQUIRED.

3. BY MAKING THIS CATEGORICAL STATEMENT AT THIS TIME, SUAREZ HAS PLACED ANOTHER IMPORTANT DISTINCTION BETWEEN HIMSELF AND THE AP. HIS REFERENCE TO THE NEED FOR ACTION THE ECONOMIC FRONT RESPONDS TO THE INCREASINGLY PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN HERE ABOUT THE STATE OF ECONOMY. EATON

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